

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Application for Mediators

Please complete the entire application, using additional paper if necessary. You may also attach a resume.

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ADMISSIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

Date admitted to the Bar of the District of South Carolina: 2/5/90

I.D. No.: 5051

Date admitted to the South Carolina Bar: 11/16/88

Bar No.: 011811

Other courts or jurisdictions to which admitted (with dates of admission and bar nos.):

US Court App, 4th Dist. 4/19/89; US Supreme Court 6/13/94

Membership and positions held in bar, ADR and professional associations: SC Council for Conflict Resolution;
Chicora Network; National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys; see attached resume for additional listings.

Are you a member in good standing in each jurisdiction where admitted to practice law? ☒ yes ☐ no

Are you currently the subject of any pending disciplinary proceeding in any jurisdiction? ☐ yes ☒ no

Have you, within the last 5 years, been denied admission to a bar for character or ethical reasons or disciplined for professional misconduct? ☐ yes ☒ no

EDUCATION

Year law degree received 1988 Law School University of South Carolina

Other professional degrees received (including year and school)

1977 Coastal Carolina College ADN

1982 Coastal Carolina College BSIS

LEGAL EXPERIENCE (A minimum of 5 years of law practice required)

Summarize legal experience (including teaching) since admission to the bar, particularly in the past five years:

1996-Present Private Practice with a focus on medical malpractice litigation, Probate, Estate Planning, Guardian/Conservatorships, Elder law, Mediation and Arbitration;

1988-96 Private Practice with McCutcheon Law Firm with focus on medical malpractice litigation, Mediation and Arbitration.

Number of years engaged in active litigation: 13

EXPERTISE

Indicate all substantive areas in which you have expertise. Place a "1" by your strongest area(s) and a "2" by all other areas in which you have expertise. (Do not rank beyond "1" and "2.") After any category you have marked, please identify any sub-areas of expertise you have (e.g., "medical malpractice" after Personal Injury).

<input type="checkbox"/> Admiralty	<input type="checkbox"/> Security or Shareholders suits
<input type="checkbox"/> Antitrust	<input type="checkbox"/> Labor
<input type="checkbox"/> Contracts	<input type="checkbox"/> ERISA
<input type="checkbox"/> Environment	<input type="checkbox"/> Wrongful Termination
<input type="checkbox"/> Fraud or Civil RICO	<input type="checkbox"/> Civil Rights in Employment
<input type="checkbox"/> Insurance	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Civil Rights
<input type="checkbox"/> Miller Act	<input type="checkbox"/> Copyrights
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Personal Injury	<input type="checkbox"/> Patent
<input type="checkbox"/> Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> Trademark
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) Probate	

Publications: _____
American Journal of Nursing, Legal Side "Patient's Privacy on the Line"
RN Magazine "Alternatives to Litigation"

MEDIATION EXPERIENCE

Mediation experience (particularly in the subject matter categories above):

1993-present Private Mediation in areas of personal injury, property damage and contract disputes;
1999-2001 Mediation for Postal Service in EEO matters;
1995 Mediation Weeks for Circuit Court in Horry & Georgetown Counties;
1996 Mediation Weeks for Circuit Court in Horry County, personal injury, property damage;
1997 Mediation Weeks for Circuit Court in Horry County, personal injury, property damage;
1998 Court Appointment in Circuit Court for Florence County.

Other courts or organizations for whom you serve as a mediator (please note any certifications):
United States Postal Service Redress Mediator
SC Civil Court Mediation Certificate

Number of mediations conducted: 75 Number of other ADR sessions conducted: 5

MEDIATION AND OTHER ADR TRAINING

<u>Course Provider</u>	<u>Course Content</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>No. of Hours</u>
SC Council for Mediation & Arbitration	Civil Mediation	10/28-11/1/96	Columbia	40.00
SC Bar	Arbitration Training	7/19/96	Conway	8.00
US Postal Service Redress	Redress Mediation Training	2/25-26/99	Columbia	20.00

OTHER INFORMATION

Are you familiar with the statutes, rules and practice governing alternative dispute resolution in the District of South Carolina? ☒ yes ☐ no

Other relevant experience or skills or other information you would like considered in connection with this application:
see resume

Cities in which you are available to conduct mediation:

☐ Columbia

☐ Charleston

☐ Greenville

☒ Florence

Other _____

Fees charged:

Hourly Rate: \$ 175

Minimum charge each mediation: \$ 350

How do you bill for travel? (explain): Hourly rate for travel of one hour or less. For travel time greater than one hour, the rate is negotiable.

I agree to: (1) Be subject to the Rules of Professional Conduct, Rule 407, South Carolina Appellate Court Rules; the Rules for Lawyer Disciplinary Enforcement, Rule 413, South Carolina Appellate Court Rules; and the Local Rules of the District Court; (2) Provide mediation to indigents without pay if ordered by the Court; (3) Notify the Alternative Dispute Resolution Program Director of any change in the above facts or otherwise in my ability to perform duties as a mediator; (4) Disclosure of information contained in this application to litigants and other members of the public.

I certify that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signature: _____

M. Robin Morris

Date: October 19, 2001

Applicant
M. Robin Morris

Return completed application to:

**Danny H. Mullis, Director
Alternative Dispute Resolution Program
United States District Court
Post Office Box 835
Charleston, SC 29402-0835**

Reviewed: _____
ADR Program

Date: _____

Approved: _____

Initially approved by Judge Shedd on
1/21/98

Date: _____

U.S. District Judge

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EDUCATION

- 1985-1988 **University of South Carolina, School of Law, Juris Doctor**
- 1981-1982 **Coastal Carolina University, Bachelor of Science, Cum Laude**
- 1974-1977 **Coastal Carolina University, Associate Degree Nursing, with Honor**

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- 1996-Present **M. Robin Morris, R.N., L.L.C., Attorney at Law, Conway, SC; Practice areas: Elder Law, Estate & Long Term Care Planning, Probate, Personal Injury, Nursing Home and Medical Malpractice, Mediation, Arbitration.**
- 1988-1996 **McCutcheon, McCutcheon & Baxter, P.A., Conway, S.C.; Attorney, Litigation. Practice areas: Medical Malpractice, Workers' Compensation, Tort Claims, Insurance Defense Litigation. Reported cases: Roberts v. Hunter, 426 S.E.2d 797 (1993); McGee v. Bruce Hospital System, et al., 439 S.E.2d 257 (1993).**

BAR MEMBERSHIPS

- 1988 **South Carolina Bar**
- 1989 **United States Court of Appeals, 4th. Circuit**
- 1990 **United States District Court, District of S.C.**
- 1994 **United States Supreme Court**

LICENSES

- 1977- **South Carolina Registered Nurse**
- 1988- **South Carolina Attorney**

CERTIFICATIONS

- 1993 **Circuit Court Civil Mediator**
- 1996 **Circuit Court Civil Arbitrator**

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- 1988- **South Carolina Bar Association;**
1988-90, Hospital and Health Law Committee
1988-95, Physician-Attorney Relations Committee
1995- , Alternative Dispute Resolution Section
1996-98 Task Force on Diversity, Chair, Introspection Sub-Committee
- 1997- **National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys, Inc.**
- 1994- **South Carolina Women Lawyers Association;**
1994-98 Chair, Gender Bias Task Force;
1996-99, Board of Directors
- 1993- **South Carolina Council for Conflict Resolution**
- 1998- **Chicora ADR Council, Circuit Court Vice Chair**
- 1988-1996 **The American Association of Nurse Attorneys;**
1988-90, Co-chair, Archives Committee
1990-93, Chair, Archives Committee
1990-95, National Board Member
1990-93, Treasurer
1993-94, Corresponding Secretary
- 1988-2000 **American Bar Association;**
1988-95, Health Insurance Law Committee
1988-94, Tort & Insurance Law Section
- 1989-1996 **South Carolina Defense Trial Lawyers Association;**
1990-91, Public Insurance and Relations Committee
- 1992-1997 **National Health Lawyers Association**
- 1989-1995 **American Nurses Association**
- 1989-1995 **South Carolina Nurses Association**

PRESENTATIONS

- 04/28/92 **Florence County Medical Society; Medical Legal Inter-professional Guidelines**
- 05/11/92 **S.C. Area Medical Management Assoc.; Legal Liability in the Physician's Office**
- 02/13/93 **S.C. Student Nurses Association; Career Options, break-out session speaker**
- 01/07/94 **Conway Hospital; Nursing Administration, Charting-Defense Considerations**
- 03/28/94 **Conway Hospital; Perinatal Committee, Patient Transfer under COBRA**

10/21/94	Texas Nurses Assoc.; Role of the Nurse in Nursing Malpractice Suit
03/01/97	SC Society of Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery, Managed Care Contract Negotiation; Malpractice Issues for Office Staff
05/27/97	Georgetown County Medical Society, HMO current legislation
09/19/97	Horry County Council on Aging, Confidential Record Keeping
11/1997	Coastal Carolina University, Life Long Learning Society, Will, Trusts, & Probate
1/28/98	Coastal Carolina University, Life Long Learning Society, Will, Trusts, & Probate
1/27/99	Coastal Carolina University, Life Long Learning Society, Issues in Retirement

PUBLICATIONS

1995-98	INFUSION, Quarterly Newsletter for health care providers, editor
10/96	American Journal of Nursing, Legal Side, "Patients' Privacy on the Line."
08/97	RN Magazine, "Alternatives to Litigation."
09/99	RN Magazine, Legally Speaking, "Preventing Med Errors"
12/99	RN Magazine, Legally Speaking, "When You Disagree with Statements in Your Evaluation"
10/00	RN Magazine, Advice of Counsel, "Dispute with HMO"
	Contributing author of Fifty-Plus News Magazine, Independent Seniors, Health & Fitness Magazine

VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS

1998/99	Seniors Helping Seniors, Board of Directors
1998/00	Eldercare Coalition of Horry County, Inc., Board of Directors

LANGUAGES

Spanish